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THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF STATEMENT RELEASED TO PRESS JOINTLY BY SENATOR LAZARUS SALII, CHAIRMAN OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS, AND AMBASSADOR F. HAYDN WILLIAMS FOLLOWING THEIR DELEGATIONS' NOV. 13 DISCUSSION OF RECENTLY ANNOUNCED US GOVERNMENT POLICY ON TRANSFER OF MICRONESIAN PUBLIC LANDS TO DISTRICT CONTROL:

"JOINT RELEASE BY SENATOR LAZARUS SALII AND AMBASSADOR F. HAYDN WILLIAMS

THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON FUTURE STATUS AND US DELEGATION TO MICRONESIAN FUTURE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS MET NOV. 13 AND REACHED AGREEMENT ON BASIC PRINCIPLES RELATING TO TRANSFER OF TITLE TO MICRONESIAN PUBLIC LAND TO DISTRICTS OF MICRONESIA. BOTH DELEGATIONS NOTED THAT THEY LOOK FORWARD TO EARLY IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS POLICY REGARDING RETURN OF PUBLIC LANDS.

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THE TWO DELEGATIONS WILL RESUME WORK ON DRAFT COMPACT OF FREE
ASSOCIATION WHEN SEVENTH ROUND OF STATUS NEGOTIATIONS FORMALLY
BEGINS WITH PLENARY SESSION NOV. 14." END. RUSH

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